IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of:

Clarence J. Haas, et. al.

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For:

Method of Fabricating a Tread Plate Having Alternating

Stripes Incorporated Thereon

Examiner:

John C. Hong

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action, mailed June 3, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.